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CHAPTER 1188

RIGHT TURNS AT STOP LIGHTS

S. F. 1075

AN ACT relating to the regulation of vehicular traffic at traffic-control signals.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

1 SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred 2 fifty-seven (321.257), subsection three (3), Code 1973, is amended to 3 read as follows:

3. Red alone or "stop". Vehicular traffic facing a steady red signal alone shall stop at a clearly marked stop line, but if none, before entering the crosswalk on the near side of the intersection, or if none, then before entering the intersection, and shall remain standing until an indication to proceed is shown. A right turn shall be permitted at an intersection by vehicular traffic which has come to a complete stop, whenever a sign is in place permitting such turn unless a sign is in place prohibiting such a turn. Any right turn made pursuant to this subsection shall be made in such a manner that it does not interfere with other vehicular or pedestrian traffic lawfully using the intersection.

Vehicular traffic on a one-way highway facing a steady red signal may, after making a stop pursuant to this subsection, cautiously enter the intersection and make a left turn onto an intersecting one-way highway on which traffic travels to the left, unless a sign is in place prohibiting such a turn. Any left turn made pursuant to this subsection shall be made in such a manner that it does not interfere with other vehicular or pedestrian traffic lawfully using the intersection.

No pedestrian facing such signal shall enter the roadway unless he can do so safely and without interfering with any vehicular traffic, but a vehicle turning right at such intersection shall yield the right of way to a pedestrian lawfully entering such intersection.

Approved March 12, 1974

CHAPTER 1189

SPEED LIMITS

S. F. 1013

AN ACT to reduce the maximum speed limits imposed on motor vehicles operating on the highways of the state and repealing the mandatory revocation for speed violations.

Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

- SECTION 1. Upon the effective date of this Act, the provisions of sections three hundred twenty-one point two hundred eighty-five (321.285), three hundred twenty-one point two hundred eighty-six (321.286), and three hundred twenty-one point two hundred eighty-seven (321.287) of the Code which set speed limits which exceed fifty-five miles per hour shall not apply and the maximum speed limit on
- 7 any highway in this state shall not exceed fifty-five miles per hour.

- SEC. 2. The provisions of section one (1) of this Act shall be effective until the president of the United States declares that there is not a fuel shortage requiring the application of The Emergency Highway Energy Conservation Act or until June 30, 1975, whichever time occurs first.
- SEC. 3. Section three hundred twenty-one point two hundred nine (321.209), Code 1973, is amended by striking subsection seven (7).
- SEC. 4. This Act shall take effect and be in force on March 1, 1974, after its publication in the West Des Moines Express, a newspaper published in West Des Moines, Iowa, and in The Sioux City Journal, a newspaper published in Sioux City, Iowa.

Approved February 7, 1974

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I hereby certify that the foregoing Act, Senate File 1013, was published in the West Des Moines Express, West Des Moines, Iowa, February 14, 1974, and in The Sioux City Journal, Sioux City, Iowa, February 12, 1974.

MELVIN D. SYNHORST, Secretary of State.

CHAPTER 1190

FLASHING BLUE LIGHTS ON VEHICLES

H. F. 414

AN ACT permitting a flashing blue light to be used on a fire-fighting vehicle. Be It Enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa:

SECTION 1. Section three hundred twenty-one point four hundred twenty-three (321.423), subsections two (2), three (3), four (4), and five (5), Code 1973, are amended to read as follows:

2. A motor vehicle operated by a member of an organized volunteer fire department, paid or volunteer, may be equipped with a lamp of any type or device thereon displaying a flashing blue light when such motor vehicle is duly authorized as hereinafter provided and while such motor vehicle is in actual use for at a fire or other fire emergency service such as operating an emergency rescue unit or an ambulance and the use of any type blue light or device shall be restricted to fire service vehicles only.

3. No volunteer fireman fire fighter shall be permitted to display a flashing blue light upon a motor vehicle as hereinbefore provided except while actually en route to the scene of a fire or other fire emergency requiring his services as a volunteer fireman fire fighter and unless he shall be an active member of an organized volunteer fire department and shall have been authorized in writing to so display a flashing blue light by the commissioner.

4. The commissioner is hereby empowered to authorize the display of a flashing blue light of any type upon a privately owned light delivery truck, panel delivery truck, pickup, station wagon, or passenger type motor vehicle except a metorcycle or motor bicycle, owned or usually operated by a volunteer fireman fire fighter, and to issue a